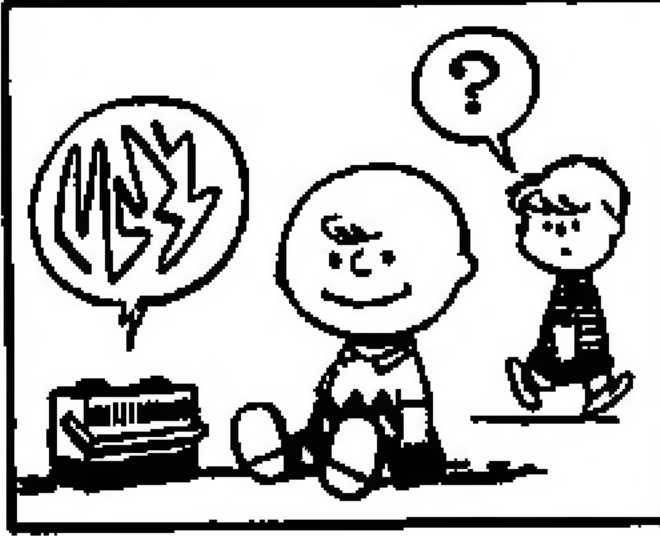


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## PROTECT ME, FAMOUS SAGE

Welcome to September! A name that means "seventh", even though its the ninth month. To say "shifting sands of time" usually conjures up ideas of an hourglass, but those sands don't really shift as much as they fall- the real shift is things like September meaning seventh and being ninth- time shifting like sand under a house built on sand. Meanwhile the sand at the bottom of an hourglass stays there quite reliably.

September is basically the end of the Summer (Indian Summer is a separate and powerful rogue season). September brings people back to school, again a declaration of questionable authority re: what's "the thing" and what's just "some stuff". Only the ex-student knows the weird "first September after" feeling of regularizing what was an abberation. "I'm still on vacation?...". That is the feeling of your entire rest of your life- "eternal September". Also "rainy".

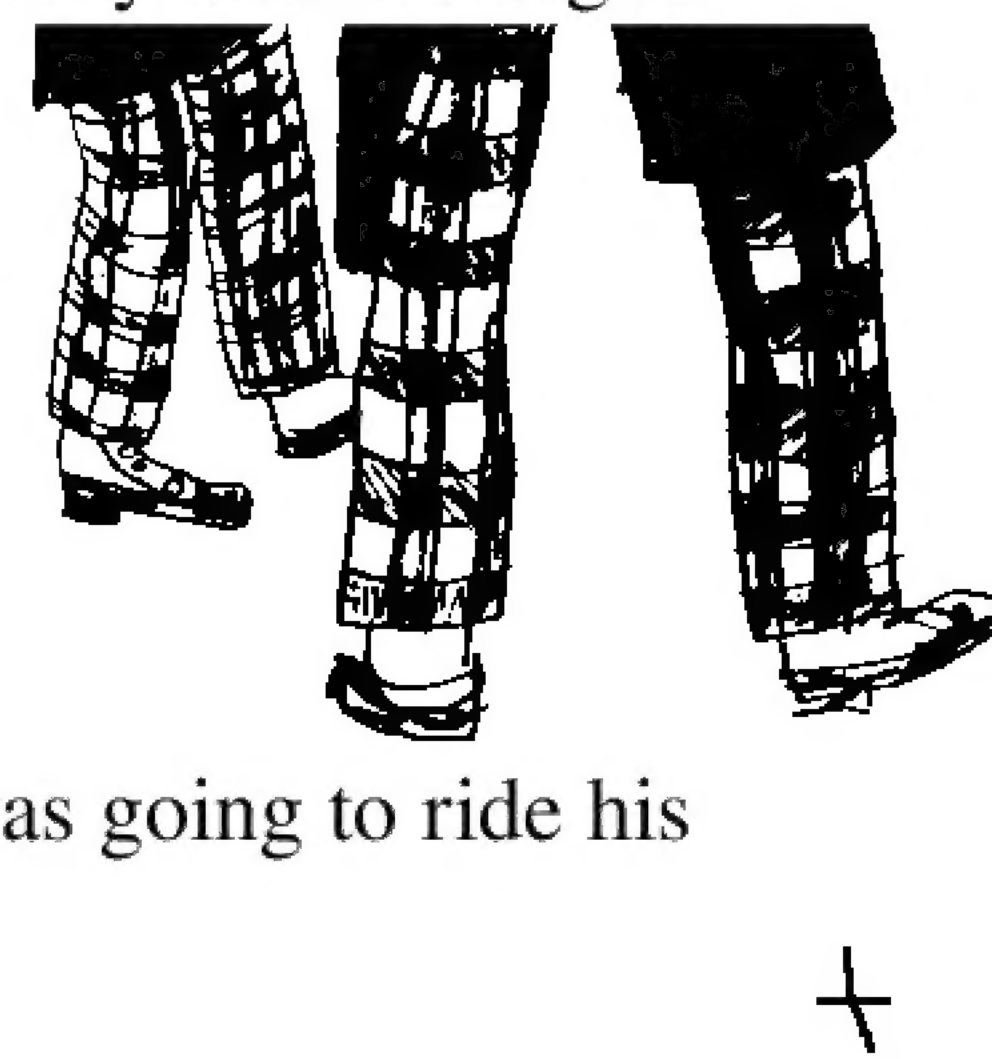


## HOLIDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

In September of 1752, the British Empire adopted the Gregorian calendar. Which means that in the British Empire that year, September 2 was immediately followed by September 14. This isn't a holiday though-- these days just didn't happen, and you usually only have a holiday when something happens.

In societies that have a crucial harvest or they sleep outside, September is when most wars end. Again, not a holiday- everyone is pretty busy and nothing is resolved.

Octoberfest traditionally takes place in September. OK?



## ANIMAL NEWS

Wilcox Memorial Hospital HONOLULU

A spokesman for the hospital said a man called the hospital and said he was going to ride his father's horse into the hospital, where his father was a patient.

"He proceeded to take the horse up the elevator up to the nursing floor where he was met by security and our nurse supervisor," said the spokesman.

The man, who appeared intoxicated at the time, posed for pictures with the horse and an off-duty nurse.

The animal was escorted out of the building after the man's father claimed the horse wasn't his.

## HEAD-BUTT BY HORSE RESTORES MAN'S SIGHT

a second World War veteran who was blinded in his right eye when he was hit by shrapnel can see again after being head-butted by a pedigree racehorse. Doctors had tried in vain for 64 years to restore Don Karkos's sight, until My Buddy Chimo stepped in. Hours after the horse smacked the 82-year-old paddock security guard in exactly the same spot as the shrapnel gashed his forehead in combat in 1942, he realised his vision was returning.

"I was putting a collar around his chest, and he whacked me real hard with his head," Mr Karkos told the New York Daily News. "Being kicked is part of the job, but I've never been hit that hard. I was pretty shaken up, kind of dazed. Then, later that night, I started to get the vision back in my right eye. It was unbelievable. I've been seeing doctors all my life, and they've always told me there is nothing can be done."

Although his vision is still not perfect, Mr Karkos has been able to see about 15ft with his damaged eye since the incident at the Monticello Raceway racecourse in New York state two months ago.

"What happened is still a mystery to me," he said. "But I do know I had got used to not seeing things and bumping into walls, and I don't do that anymore."

## GREAT JUMPING GOATS

Zacg of ATL Mills told me that when he was growing up he drank milk from a goat that ate poison ivy and now he doesn't get poison ivy. I think this should be taken with a pinch of ginger, if not salt-- maybe dude just doesn't get poison ivy. But he ALSO told me this possibly apocryphal but spiritually valuable goat factoid- goats can jump damn high but oftentimes aren't aware of their own ability. "Goat"- from the Proto-Indo-European ""\*ghaidos" meaning "young goat" but also "jump"! A domestic goat may live a long and (relatively) varied life without ever launching, Yeager-like, (4 feet) against that root force (gravity). Every now and then on your goat farm or whatever a singular goat will work out jumping and teach the others, making your dinky fence a moot point. That's why sometimes you see a perfectly healthy goat for sale real cheap- it's a jumper, a smart apple to potentially ruin any given bunch. HAH!

NB: This is news ABOUT certain animals, not news FOR animals. News FOR animals is like "does this thing smell like pee? mine or someone else's?" or "do I already know that it's going to rain?".

## POETRY ANGLE

a recurring feature by MW

Tiny Town Pants

A town is a condition. Pants  
are also a condition.  
This town  
is smaller than pants.



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## THEE AMBROSE BIERCE MEMORIAL WORD JUMBLE

by Ambrose Bierce before he died



-- To "move in a mysterious way,"  
commonly with the property of another.  
SNOBDAC

--- An inevitable occurrence due to the  
action of immutable natural laws.  
TCAENCID

-- An instrument in harmony with the  
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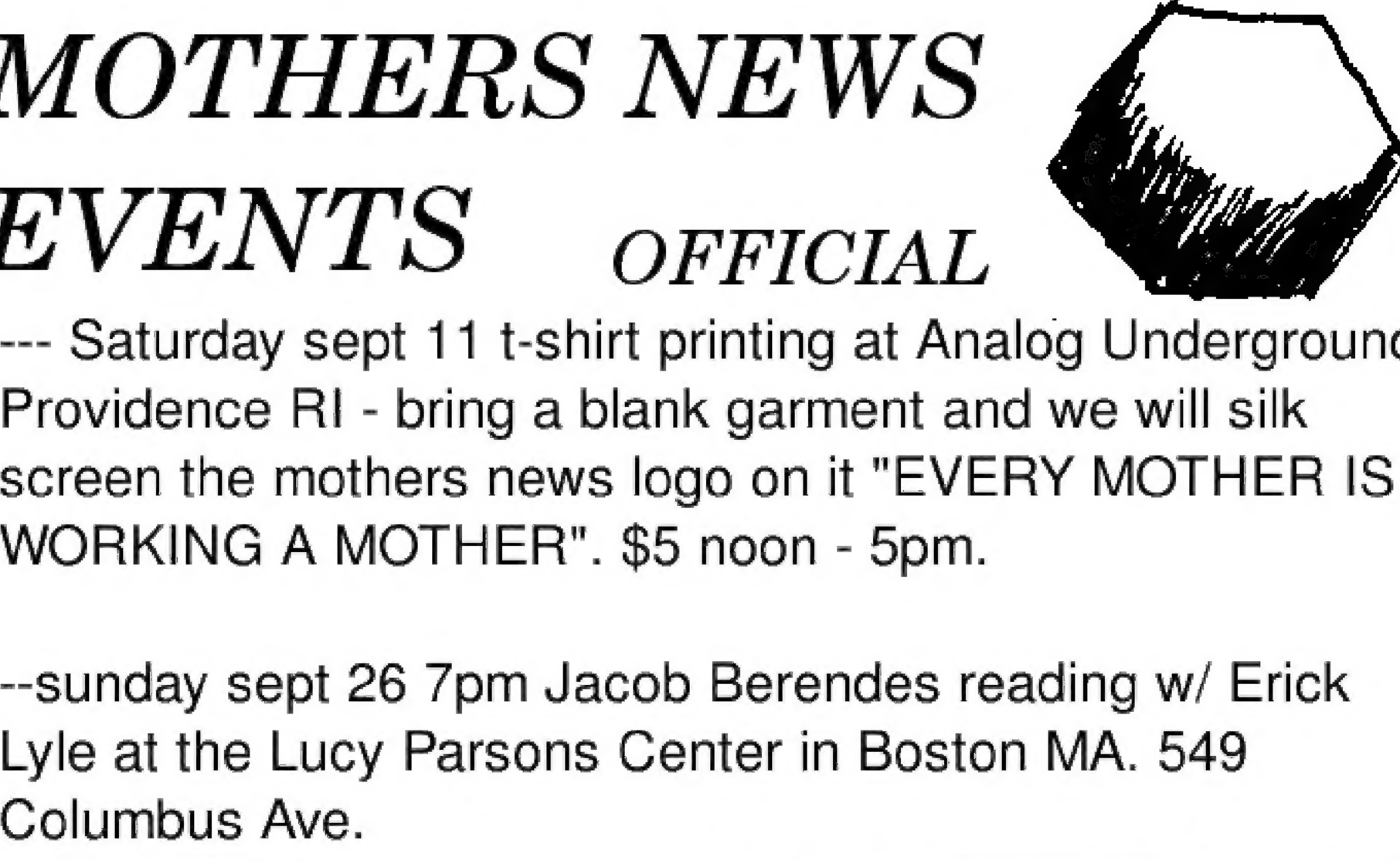
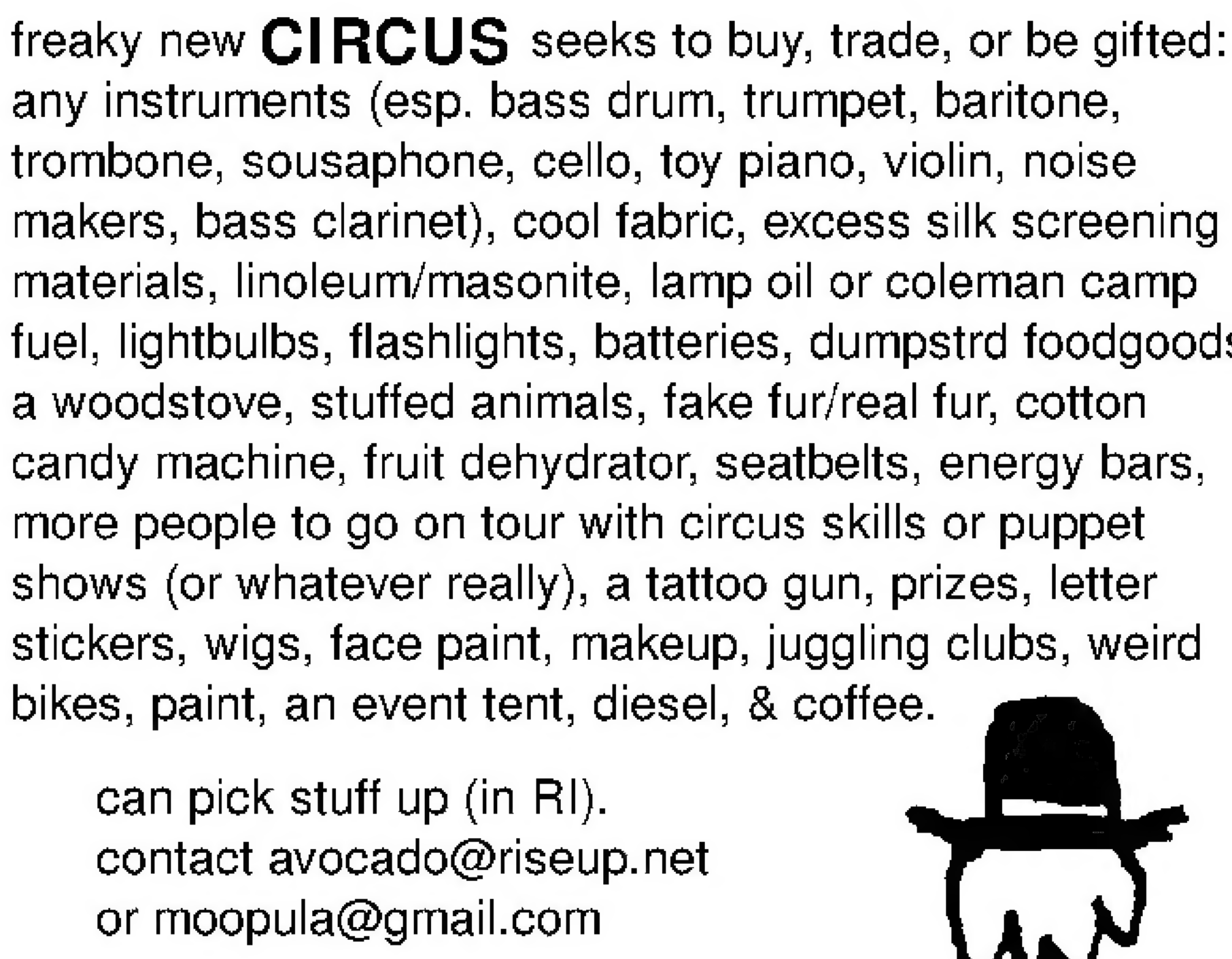
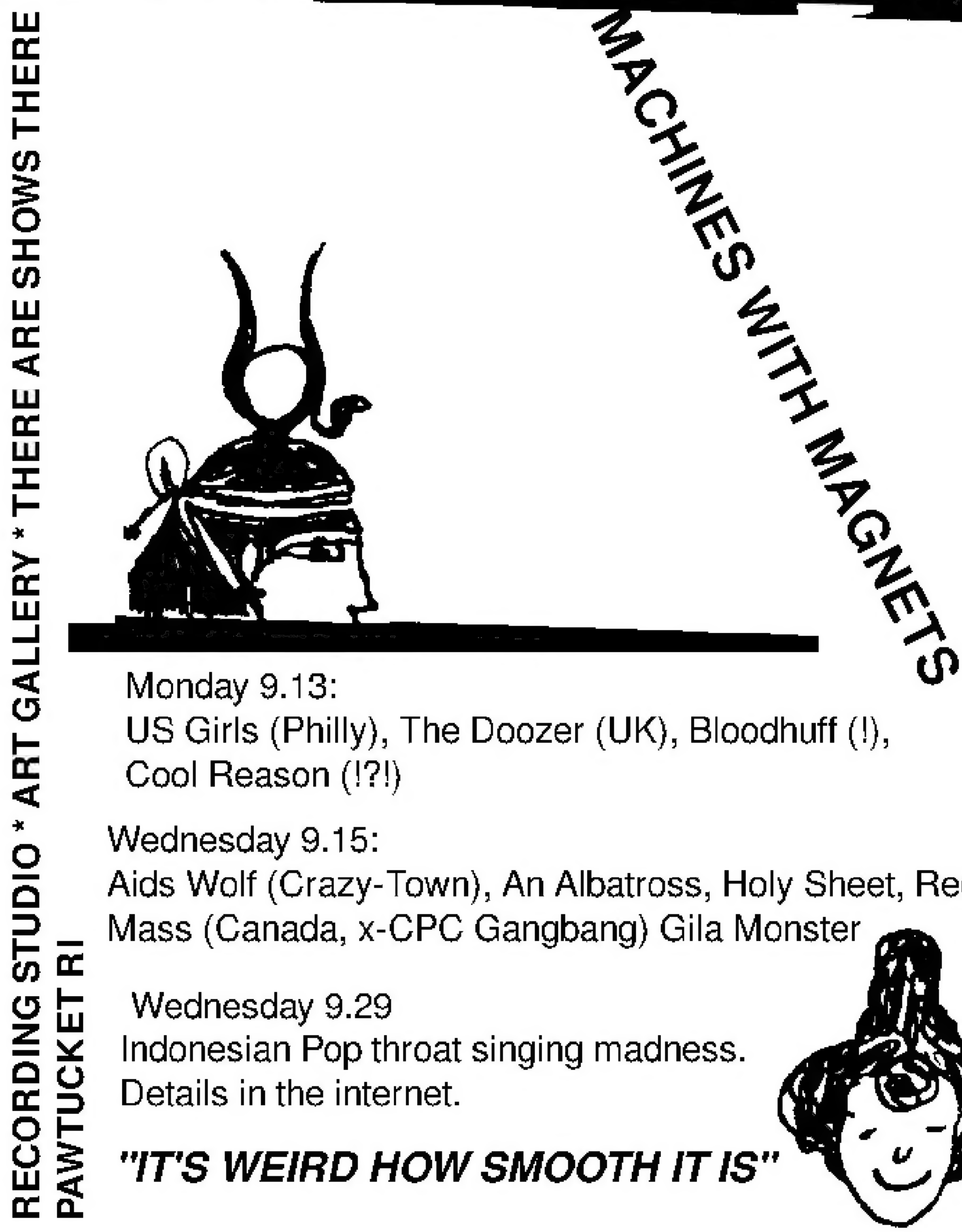
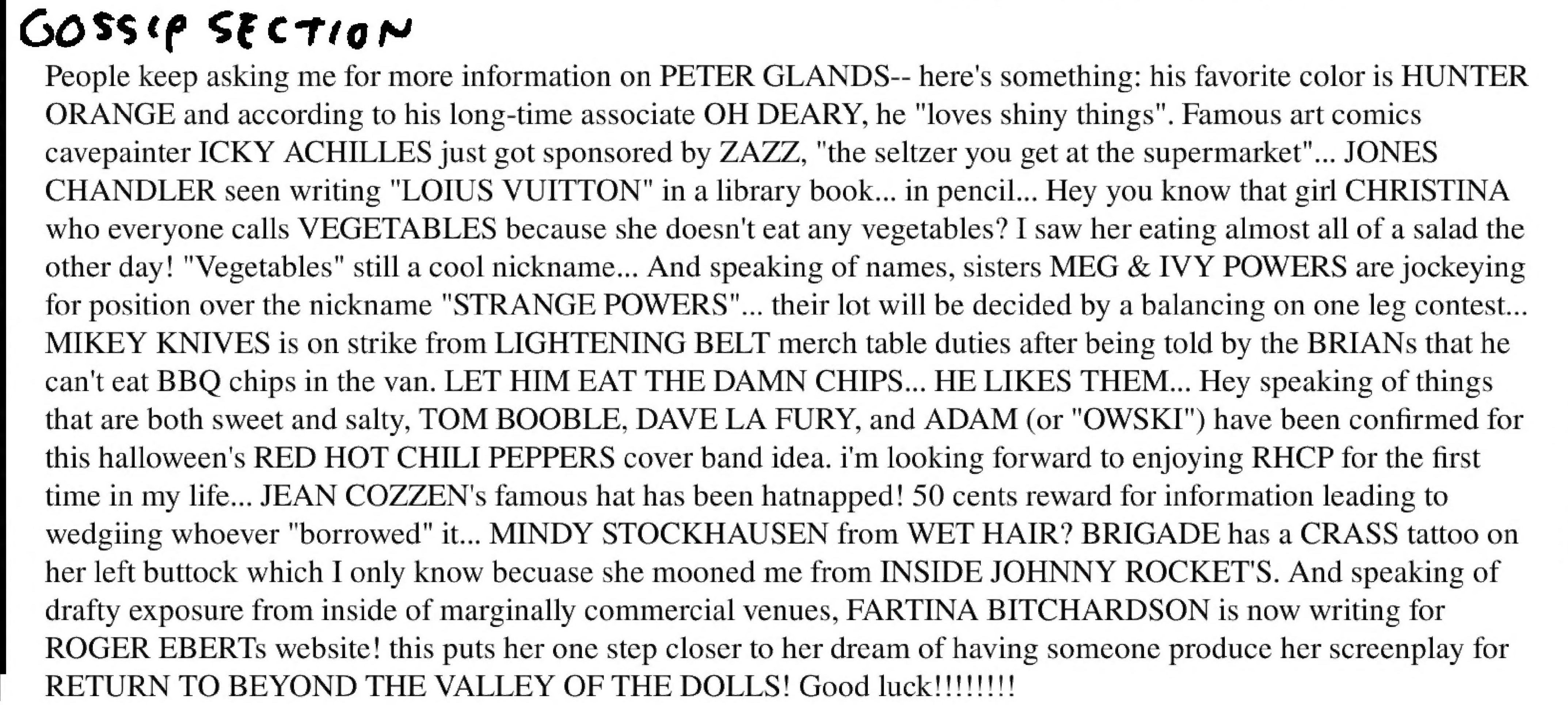
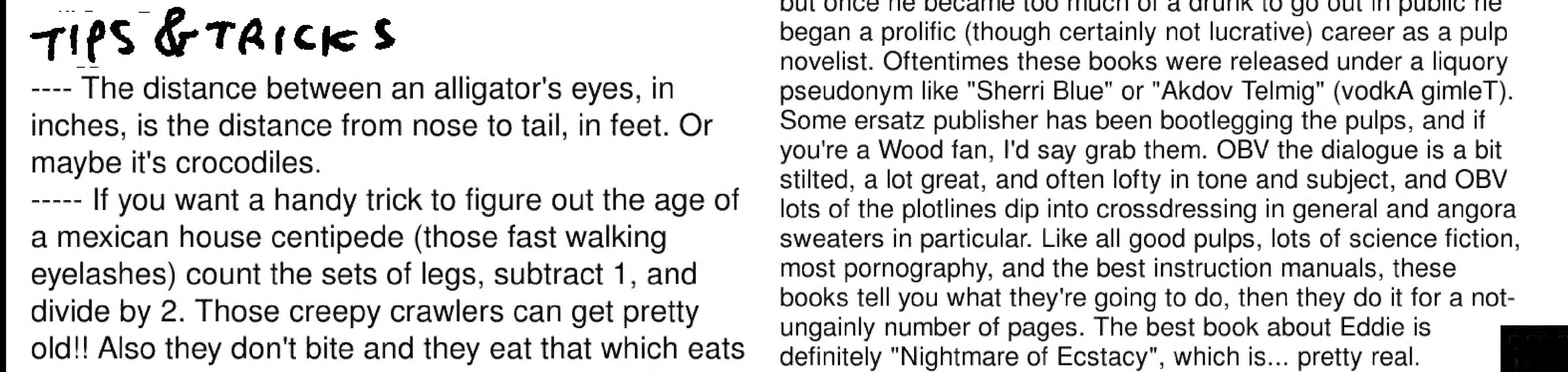
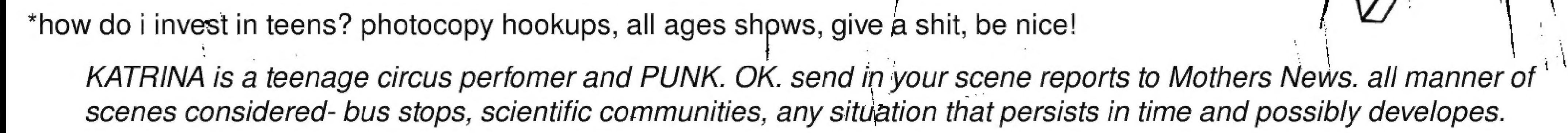
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--EDITORS.



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- the idea "eternal September" first recognized by Dave Fischer
- I looked it up, it was alligators
- this paper is .25" shorter than usual because of the war